GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:674
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GAUGE CONVERSION OF RANCHI-LOHARDAGA RAIL LINE
DUKHA BHAGAT

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a provision in the rail budget for the year 1999-2000 for gauge conversion of Ranchi-Lohardaga rail line and extending it upto Tori;

(b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the above work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) The earthwork and minor bridges have been taken up on the Phase-I Ranchi - Lohardaga section. Widening of formation is in progress in six sections from Km. 0 to Km. 65. Contracts for work on minor bridges have been awarded and the work is in progress. Besides, final location survey work for Lohardaga - Tori is in an advanced stage.

(c): The work will be progressed to completion in the coming years as per the availability of resources.